

House Resolution No. 1553

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take great pride in honoring the many men and women of the Missouri National Guard and the military Reserves who have responded to America's crisis during this time of uncertainty; and

Whereas, individuals in the officer and enlisted ranks of the Missouri National Guard and the Reserves associated with various branches of the active duty Military will be recognized during a special ceremony to be held on April 8, 2004, at the Central Bank Financial Center in the Capital City; and

Whereas, Jefferson City Mayor John Landwehr and Congressman Ike Skelton will honor Adjutant General George D. Shull and other military representatives who have answered their patriotic call to national service; and

Whereas, while protecting and defending our fifty states of freedom, numerous Show-Me State residents are taking part in such dangerous assignments as Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Joint Guardian, just to name a few; and

Whereas, during this worldwide battle against terrorism, many of our friends and loved ones who are affiliated with the United States Armed Forces are faced with hardships, stress, and a multitude of other difficult and challenging issues in their lives; and

Whereas, because of the valiant efforts of the men and women of the Missouri National Guard and military Reserves, we the people of the United States are guaranteed that freedom and democracy will continue to be our way of life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to pay tribute to all military personnel who have sacrificed and dedicated their lives in a continuing effort to let freedom ring and to extend to them our heartiest best wishes for all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri National Guard and military Reserve personnel.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Deeken
District No. 114

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1553, adopted April 7, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker